

REMARKS

A current and Non-final Office Action was issued 10/05/2005. This current Office Action examined claims 1-18 and 33-34. Claims 1-3, 7, 10, 13, 14, 16-18, and 33-34 were rejected. Claims 4-6, 8-9, 11-12, and 15 were objected to.

This Reply cancels claims 1, 3, 7, 10, 14, and 33-34. Claims 35-38 are added. Hence, claims 2, 4-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-18, and 35-38 are now pending and presented for examination.

It is noted for the record that the canceled claims have been canceled without prejudice. Furthermore, Applicants reserve the right to pursue these claims and the subject matters thereof in one or more continuing applications.

The objection to the disclosure has been remedied as indicated above by replacing "222" with --232--, as requested at Paragraph #1 of the current Office Action.

On Page 7 at Paragraph #4, the current Office Action reads, "Claims 4-6, 8-9, 11-12 & 15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims."

Claims 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, and 15 have been so rewritten, and these claims should now be allowable. Claims 2/5/35, 36, 37, 38, 12/13, and 16/17/18 depend from claims 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, and 15 respectively. Accordingly, all pending claims should now be allowable.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims 2, 4-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-18, and 35-38 are allowable, and prompt action to that end is hereby requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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